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Mail Stop Patent Application
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Re: U.S. Continuation-in-Part Patent Application for "A SURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR
TREATING FEMALE URINARY STRESS INCONTINENCE"

Our File No. ODO600-00/02588A

Dear Sir:

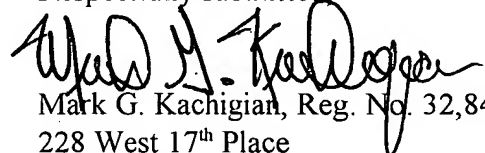
Enclosed please find a patent application on the above, and the following documents:

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney for Pat D. O'Donnell.
2. Applicant hereby claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Drawings (13 sheets)
4. Form PTO-1449 and copies of cited references
5. Request and Certification

The application contains 21 claims with 4 independent claims. This application is a continuation-in-part application and claims benefit of U.S. Patent Application 10/308,735, filed December 3, 2002.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$437.00 to cover the filing fee. Please charge or credit any other fees during prosecution of this case to Deposit Account No. 08-1500.

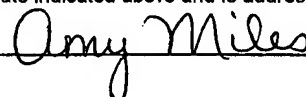
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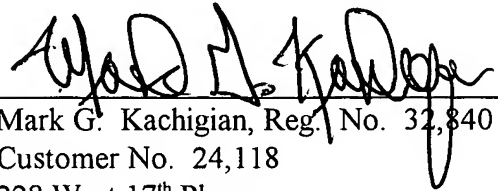
REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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